# Annual Auxiliary Christmas Bazaar a success!

Local Nicholas County craft maker Sue Bowles takes a customer through the wide display of crafts for sale in the lobby of Johnson Mathers Nursing Home. About nine crafters had their works for sale in a new component of the Annual Christmas Bazaar sponsored by the Nicholas County Health Care Auxiliary.

Margie Wells and Helen Sexton take a moment from their shopping to pose for this picture at the Annual Christmas Bazaar held at Johnson Mathers Health Care. With the addition of the Christmas Cafe and the Craft Makers display in the Nursing Home lobby, this Bazaar was among the most successful fund raising events for the Nicholas County Health Care Auxiliary.

Vistors to Johnson Mathers Nursing Home last Friday were greeted with a breathtaking display of local crafts in the lobby, all of it just in time for the holiday season.

Charlotte Napier looks over the toys for sale in the JMHC Conference Room during the Christmas Bazaar. Proceeds from the Bazaar go toward the purchase of needed medical equipment and supplies that, in turn, benefits the people of Nicholas County. The Bazaar not only put gifts under the tree, but served the health care needs of everyone in the community.

**Photographs by Josh Shepherd of Johnson Mathers Healthcare**

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Lightner, St. Patrick; Clinton Meadows, Fleming; Alex Burch, Paul Risenmay, Sean Biest and Cullen Stanfield, Mason County; Jeremy Weaver, Bath County.

**Humanities** - Alex Wilson, Nicholas County, along with Jeremy Hickman, Mason Nick Ulrich, Josh Moser, Bracken Mark Blakefield, St. Patrick; Ronald Liles, Lewis County and Jeremy Weaver, Bath County.

**Social Studies** - Tom Sewell, Mason Nick Ulrich, Eric Fegan, Bracken County; Brandon Adams, Bath County; Billy Van Hook, and Michael Stwarka, St. Patrick; Nicholas Wood, Fleming; and Ronald Liles, Lewis County.

## Smith, Hughes, recognized by Licking River

The Licking River Valley Conservation and Development Council recently held its annual meeting and banquet at Blue Licks Battlefield State Park in Robertson County.

Bill Grannis of Fleming County presented the invocation and the keynote speaker for the event was Billy Ray Smith, Kentucky Commissioner of Agriculture. Mr. Smith elaborated on new initiatives being pursued by the department in the area of agricultural diversification in addition to continuing support for burley tobacco production in the state.

Officers for 1997 for the RC&D Council were also selected. Those being Ray Young, president, Mason County, Joey Wells, vice president, Pendleton County, Bill Grannis, secretary, Fleming County, and Earl Linville, treasurer, Robertson County.

Moreover, awards were presented to a number of very deserving individuals for their contributions within the RC&D region.

Those from Nicholas County recognized at the meeting were Charles Smith and Mark Hughes, although not present at the meeting.

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*Friday and Saturday, December 13th & 14th, 1996 at 10:30 A.M.*

**LOCATED:** Approx. 10 miles North of Mt. Sterling, on Hwy #11 in Sharpsburg and on the Upper East Union Road; or approx. 8 miles South of Carlisle via Hwy. #36, then Hwy #57 on the Upper East Union Road. Approx. 50 miles East of Lexington via Interstate 64 and Hwy. #11.

**SALE #1, FRIDAY, DECEMBER 13, 1996 AT 10:30 A.M.**

**THREE NICHOLAS COUNTY FARMS** - Containing approx. 411 acres, all to be sold on Farm #1, located approx. 4 miles from Sharpsburg or approx. 8 miles from Carlisle on Hwy. #57 and Upper East Union Road.

**FARM #1** - Containing approx. 216 acres with a 1996 B.Q. tobacco base of 10,932 pounds. Farm is all in good grass and hay, all under good fencing, with a well-located large cattle corral, watered by 5 city water livestock tanks, ponds and running branches. large highway frontage on Upper East Union Road and Hwy #57. Improvements - 8 bent tobacco barn and old farm house. - (20'x30' garage building to be sold separately). Owners - Mr. and Mrs. W.C. Vice and Mr. and Mrs. Bud Becraft.

**FARM #2** - Contains approx. 51 acres with a 1996 B.Q. tobacco base of 3,000 pounds and is located approx. one mile South on Hwy. #57 from Farm #1. This farm has some good bottom land, ridges and pasture. Improvements include a nice 1 1/2 story, 3 bedroom frame house, with bath (new roof, fuel oil furnace, storm cellar, garage building), and a 4-bent tobacco barn.

**FARM #3** - Contains approx. 144 acres with a 1996 B.Q. tobacco base of 9,656 pounds and is located approx. 2 1/2 miles from Sharpsburg on Upper East Union Road. This farm has lots of road frontage on both sides of highway, well fenced, watered by city water, ponds, and has a running branches. Approx. 25 acres in alfalfa and rest in good grass, with several acres of good bottom land. Improvements include a modern 7 room house, 4 room tenant house. 8 bent tobacco barn with shed. 4 bent three story feed barn with a silo and automated unloader, and 30'x50' metal storage building.

**SALE #2, SATURDAY, DECEMBER 14, 1996 AT 10:30 A.M.**

**404 ACRES OF BATH COUNTY LAND** (to be offered in 5 Tracts, reserving the right to group any or all Tracts). Watered by city water, and natural gas is available. Land will be sold first at 10:30 A.M. Located on Hwy #11 and Upper East Union Road at Sharpsburg, Kentucky. Sale to be held on Tract #1 located on Upper East Union Road.

**TRACT #1** - Contains approx. 76 acres with a 1996 B.Q. tobacco base of 6,148 pounds. This tract is all cropland in grass, with approx. 25 acres in alfalfa, well fenced, and watered by city water and a three acre lake (stocked with fish). With approx. 2,700 feet of highway frontage on Upper East Union Road. Improvements - 4 bedroom modern brick home, 2 1/2 baths, central heat & air, concrete drive, and footage on Upper East Union Road. Improvements - 4 bedroom modern brick home, 2 1/2 baths, central heat & air, concrete drive, and a two-car garage; one 7 bent tobacco barn, one 6-bent tobacco and stock barn (designed for working cattle), 400 ton silo with automated unloader and feed shed.

**TRACT #2** - Contains approx. 48 acres with a 1996 B.Q. tobacco base of 4,140 pounds. Approx. 1,200 feet of frontage on Hwy #11. All cropland in good grass and hay, well fenced, and watered by two ponds, city water. Improvements - 7 bent barn.

**TRACT #3** - Contains approx. 25 acres with a 1996 B.Q. tobacco base of 2,484 pounds. Approx. 645 feet of frontage on Hwy. #11. It is well fenced, watered by city water, and is all cropland currently in alfalfa. Improvements - 4 bent tobacco barn.

**TRACT #4** - Contains approx. 135 acres with a 1996 B.Q. tobacco base of 11,229 pounds. Fronts on KY Hwy #11 approx. 1,100 feet. It is all cropland in good grass and several acres in alfalfa, all being well fenced. Watered by city water. Improvements - two 8 bent tobacco barns (one new). If sold separately, there will be a 20 foot wide easement given to the East Union Road through Tract #1.

**TRACT #5** - Contains approx. 120 acres with a 1996 B.Q. tobacco base of 12,143 pounds. Approx. 1,100 feet of frontage Hwy. #11. This is a good cattle and tobacco farm that is well fenced and all in good grass with approx. 15 acres of alfalfa hay. It has city water. Improvements - modern 5 room house with bath, basement and porches, extra good 8 bent tobacco barn, 4 bent stock barn with shed, corn crib and large hay shed.

**TRUCKS - TRACTORS - EQUIPMENT - HAY**

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good faculty and that he's not opposed to renovation as long as any shut down didn't interrupt classroom instruction. "It usually goes lower than you expect....when you do into renovation, you don't know what you get into."

**Kelly Rice** - (Inadvertently referred to in the Nov. 14 edition as Kelly Vice. The managing editor of the Mercury apologizes for this error) - Rice said she wasn't originally from the area but gathered from the people she'd talked to here that there were many sentimental feelings for the current (40 year-old) school building. "I do not see it that way. I have no love for a building. I'd like to see you compromise. That doesn't seem to be happening. I do not like the idea of grades 7-12 together. I do not feel that was researched very well. I do not want my 12-year-old there with 19-20 year olds and that's how old some of them are."

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**Kelly Rice**

Rice said local economics are against the system's expansion. "I would like to see additions to both buildings. Our problem is space. Our teachers are abused. They are like nomads! They're nomadic people. We have heard that."

She said she heard a person talk about cleaning a coal bin 30 years ago and using it for classroom space. "That took place 30 years ago. We're not moving forward. We need to. We're going nowhere quickly. We have to go forward."

Rice's degree is from the University of Kentucky's agricultural science. Twelve years ago she took tests to be in that program and on the test were humanities and foreign language and curriculum not being emphasized strongly enough in Nicholas County. "We are not preparing for those things to help our children in the future. I'd like to see that compromise, between the two plans to help our children move into the future."

**Ron Baker** - Taxpayer, NCHS teacher, former business owner. When he was in business, he looked at two factors, price and cost. "Price is what you pay today and cost is what you live with 20 years from now. Twenty years ago we had no walls in this building (elementary school). We saved about a half million. Then, 17 years later, it cost of $3.5 million. That was a foolish mistake." He questioned whether the county wanted to repeat mistakes of the past.

"I was on the plan. If the board did not support it, I've wasted two years of my life, night after night, going to meetings. All of it was put to the side."

Baker said the current high school was built for 250 people and now houses 400. "Until this year, our faculty room was the coal bin and nobody wanted to be there. If you could get more than 200 students in that's good."

He said the budget has been in the black and there has been a surplus. He noted that his raise in the system came from the introduction of KERA with five percent and the former superintendent (and board) agreeing to five percent. "If you do the least you can you end up with it having to be patched. We'll have to live with it years from now. It's the next 20 years, not two years."

**Paula Hunter** - A parent with three children in all age groups. She said she didn't want her children to sit in a classroom that smelled like urine and she thought the system should learn from its mistakes and that the board shouldn't agree to putting grades 7-12 together. She presented a list of 300 names to Supt. Everly stating people against grades 7-12 housed together.

**Becky Reid** - Parent, said she vehemently opposed grades 7-12 being housed together. "I agree with Peter Chamness. I think education is expensive but ignorance is a lot more expensive.

**"It looks so simple. It is that simple. You work together."**
**George R. Dundon Jr**

**Kathy Green** - Nicholas County High School teacher, originally from Nicholas County, and member of the LPC, said the LPC had two concerns, space and the fact that the junior high didn't have the curriculum it needed because it does not have a facility to properly teach those classes. The LPC plan had vocational type education for both junior high and high school level while the board plan only provides for the high school level.

**Gerald Tubbs** - Former Nicholas County Elementary students, said he used to throw paper over the board's partitioning the walls at the school. He said he didn't blame the board, but the county, for dictating the board. He said students know computer education is the future, rather than farming, and need to be prepared. He said he didn't feel like putting the seventh and eighth graders in with 9-12 was good. He said he doesn't plan on being a farmer, but wants go to college and get a desk job earning $25 an hour - as the audience chuckled he said he would have to have a very good education to meet his goal.

"You're a wise man, Mr. Tubbs," stated George R. Dundon Jr., program manager, Kentucky Department of Education. "It looks so simple. It is that simple. You work together."

**Amanda Gaunce** - "I don't think the seventh and eighth grade really belong at the high school building.

"I'm inclined to agree," said Dundon.


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